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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

PRINGLE

Serial No. 08/853,604

Filed: May 9, 1997

For: MICROWAVE PYROLYSIS APPARATUS  
FOR WASTE TIRES



Examiner: Manoharan

Art Unit: 1764

VII/P04480US0

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed on August 26, 1998,  
please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE:

~~Line~~ 5, delete "comprising" and insert --including--.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

1. (Amended) A microwave distillation apparatus for  
providing destructive distillation of whole waste tires, said  
apparatus comprising:

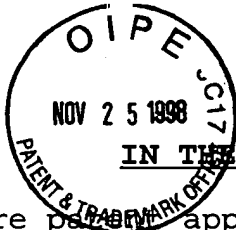
a housing comprising a plurality of [vertically arrange]  
chambers, said chambers including a preheat chamber for providing  
preheating of a whole waste tire received therein, and an

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Attached is:

- ☐ a response after Final Rejection dated
- ☒ a response to the Office Action dated August 26, 1998.
- ☐ a Preliminary Amendment
- ☐ a petition for an extension of time
- ☐ other:

Small Entity Status:

- ☒ has been established by a previously submitted statement.
- ☐ is established by a verified statement submitted herewith.

Fees: For claims if required and/or other fees as shown below:

	NOW	PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA		RATE	
TOTAL CLAIMS	24	22	2	x	\$ 18.00	=\$ 36.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	2	3	0	x	\$ 78.00	=\$
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS						= \$ 36.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Reduction by 1/2 for filing by small entity					-	\$ 18.00
SUBTOTAL						= \$ 18.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Fee for extension of time (per attached Petition)					\$	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other fee for					\$	
TOTAL OF ALL FEES=						\$ 18.00

☒ A check in the amount of \$18.00 is enclosed. If no check or an insufficient check is enclosed and a fee is due in connection herewith, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee or additional fee due in connection herewith to Deposit Account No. 12-0555. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

☒ In the event that a petition for extension of time is required to be submitted herewith and that a separate petition is not submitted herewith, applicant hereby petitions under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for an extension of time of as many months as are required to render this submission timely. Any fee is authorized above.

Respectfully submitted,

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